

PHARMACY BOARD[657]

Adopted and Filed

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 147.76, the Board of Pharmacy hereby amends Chapter 6, “General Pharmacy Practice,” Chapter 7, “Hospital Pharmacy Practice,” Chapter 15, “Correctional Pharmacy Practice,” and Chapter 16, “Nuclear Pharmacy Practice,” Iowa Administrative Code.

The amendments eliminate the requirements that pharmacies maintain the Iowa Pharmacy Law and Information Manual and authorize pharmacies to utilize other sources, including electronic or Internet-based sources, for Iowa pharmacy laws, rules, and regulations.

Requests for waiver or variance of the discretionary provisions of these rules will be considered pursuant to 657—Chapter 34.

Notice of Intended Action was published in the July 22, 2015, Iowa Administrative Bulletin as **ARC 2065C**. The Board received numerous written comments regarding the proposed amendments. Comments were split between support of the amendments and opposition or suggestions for alternatives to the amendments.

The adopted amendments differ from those published under Notice. In response to suggestions from commenters, the Board has clarified that an acceptable law reference will include all pertinent Iowa laws, rules, and regulations that impact the pharmacy’s practice.

The amendments were approved during the August 31, 2015, meeting of the Board of Pharmacy.

After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs has been found.

These amendments are intended to implement Iowa Code section 155A.31.

These amendments will become effective on November 18, 2015.

The following amendments are adopted.

ITEM 1. Amend rule 657—6.3(155A) as follows:

657—6.3(155A) Reference library. References may be printed or computer-accessed. A reference library shall be maintained which includes, as at a minimum, one current reference from each of the following categories, including access to current periodic updates.

1. ~~The Iowa Pharmacy Law and Information Manual~~ A reference including all pertinent Iowa laws, rules, and regulations that impact the pharmacy’s practice.

2. to 8. No change.

ITEM 2. Amend rule 657—7.3(155A) as follows:

657—7.3(155A) Reference library. References may be printed or computer-accessed. A reference library shall be maintained which includes, as at a minimum, one current reference from each of the following categories, including access to current periodic updates.

1. ~~The Iowa Pharmacy Law and Information Manual~~ A reference including all pertinent Iowa laws, rules, and regulations that impact the pharmacy’s practice.

2. to 9. No change.

ITEM 3. Amend rule 657—15.4(155A) as follows:

657—15.4(155A) Reference library. References may be printed or computer-accessed. Each correctional pharmacy shall have on site, at a minimum, one current reference from each of the following categories, including access to current periodic updates.

1. ~~The Iowa Pharmacy Law and Information Manual~~ A reference including all pertinent Iowa laws, rules, and regulations that impact the pharmacy’s practice.

2. to 8. No change.

ITEM 4. Amend rule 657—16.5(155A) as follows:

657—16.5(155A) Library. Each nuclear pharmacy shall have access to the following references. References may be printed or computer-accessed and shall be current editions or revisions.

1. No change.
2. ~~The Iowa Pharmacy Law and Information Manual~~ A reference including all pertinent Iowa laws, rules, and regulations that impact the pharmacy's practice;
3. and 4. No change.

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